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SUBJECT: VISIT OF USS TINOSA (SSN) TO TUNISIA

I AM REPEATING TO YOU FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM USCINCUSNAVEUR (ADM SHEAR) ADDRESSED TO AMBASSADOR IN HOPES YOU CAN REFER IT TO HIM BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE AND ELICIT HIS WISHES AS TO HOW HE WANTS TO HANDLE MATTER, BOTH FOR MY BENEFIT AND ADMIRAL'S. I HAVE SENT MESSAGE TO ADMIRAL TELLING HIM AMBASSADOR WAS AWAY AND THAT I PREFERRED HOLD MESSAGE FOR HIS RETURN. THIS WAS ON ASSUMPTION THAT AMBASSADOR WOULD PROBABLY BE BACK THIS WEEKEND AND THAT WE THEREFORE HAD AMPLE TIME FOR HIM MAKE DECISION. I HAVE JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR, HOWEVER, TELLING US HE WILL BE HERE ON 19TH WHICH CUTS DOWN INTERVAL BETWEEN HIS ARRIVAL AND ARRIVAL OF TINOSA CONSIDERABLY AND LEADS ME BELIEVE WE SHOULD GET SOME WORD TO ADMIRAL BEFORE THEN. APPRECIATE YOUR HELP. MESSAGE FOLLOWS:

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SSN VISIT TO BIZERTE (U)

1. (C) TINOSA'S SCHEDULED VISIT TO BIZERTE 26-30 JUN PROVIDES AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO ALLOW SELECTED DISTINGUISHED OFFICIALS TO VISIT AN IMPRESSIVE SHIP.
2. (U) I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND AN INVITATION FOR YOU TO VISIT TINOSA. ADDITIONALLY, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON THE DESIRABILITY OF INVITING APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT DIGNITARIES.
3. (S) YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING VISITS BY FOREIGN NATIONALS TO SSN'S. THESE VISITS ARE OF TWO TYPES. IN BOTH CASES, THEY ARE USUALLY LIMITED TO SMALL NUMBERS OF INVITED GUESTS. UNCLASSIFIED VISITS, NOT INVOLVING ACCESS TO NUCLEAR PROPULSION SPACES,

PAGE TWO RUDONBA 1080 S E C R E T SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING FOREIGN OFFICIALS OR RETURN PROTOCOL CALLS. CLASSIFIED VISITS ARE STRICTLY LIMITED TO INSTANCES IN WHICH THERE IS CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED POLITICAL-MILITARY BENEFIT TO THE U.S. AND ARE CONFINED TO THE VERY HIGHEST LEVELS OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT.

4. (S) WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:
 - A. SHOULD ANY OFFER BE EXTENDED TO LIMITED NUMBERS OF SENIOR OFFICIALS FOR AND UNCLASSIFIED VISIT.
 - B. SHOULD AN OFFER BE EXTENDED TO THE PRESIDENT OR THE PRIME MINISTER FOR AN IN-PORT CLASSIFIED VISIT.
5. (S) YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THERE WILL BE A SLIGHT INCONVENIENCE FOR VISITORS IN BOARDING THE SSN AT ANCHORAGE, AND ALSO THAT GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO ENTER AND DEPART THE INTERIOR OF THE SHIP BY WAY OF A VERTICAL LADDER THROUGH A 25-INCH HATCH. YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON WHO MIGHT BE INCLUDED IN A GUEST LIST WOULD BE APPRECIATED. I WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR VIEWS ON THE PROS AND CONS OF SUCH VISITS.
6. (U) WARM REGARDS.

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